# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# URBAN DEVELOPMENT
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1540
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GENERAL POOL RESIDENTIAL ACCOMMODATION
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**Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

to the reply to USQ 4109 given on December 21, 2005 regarding General Pool Residential Accommodation and state:

(a) Whether the accommodation allotted to journalists and others is proposed to be reviewed with a time factor change;

(b) If so, the details thereof;

(c) If not, the reasons for the same;

(d) Whether it is proposed to cancel this accommodation occupied by the authorities; and

(e) If so, the details thereof?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT(SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

(a)to(c): The Supreme Court in its judgement dated 23.12.1996 in CWP No. 585/94-Shiv Sagar Tiwari versus Union of India had directed inter-alia, that Government accommodation will be given from the Press Pool only to the accredited journalists and news camera-men. Accordingly, guidelines dated 15.6.2001 and 19.11.2001 have been framed to regulate the allotment of Government accommodation to the journalists and press camera-men. The allotments have been made pursuant to these guidelines for a period of 5 years to the journalists drawing emoluments upto 10,000/- p.m. and for a period of 3 years to the journalists drawing emoluments between 10,001 to 20,000/-.

(d)&(e): Allotment of Government accommodation to journalists and press camera-men is made for a specific period. Allotments are cancelled when the allotment period expires.